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INFORMATION CIRCULAR

To: Members of delegations and the staff at Headquarters

From: The Director, Office of General Services

Subject: ACCESS TO PREMISES DURING CLOSURE OF FIRST AVENUE

1. The purpose of the present circular is to advise members of delegations and the staff at Headquarters that the New York City Police Department has informed the Secretariat that it will close that section of First Avenue in front of the United Nations for a period of time on Monday, 27 September 1993 to accommodate motorcades of dignitaries. Such closing may also be necessary on short notice on other days during the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly. To the extent possible, efforts will be made to inform members of delegations and the staff, in advance, of planned closing of First Avenue.

2. Arrangements have been made with police authorities to permit members of delegations, members of the staff and affiliates, upon presentation of their grounds passes, to cross the avenue at either 42nd, 45th or 48th Streets. The crossing point at 45th Street will be particularly congested and it is therefore recommended that all pedestrians use the other two crossings. Furthermore, First Avenue will be closed to all pedestrian crossing between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. During this time, the only entry point to the premises will be through the 48th Street entrance to the garage. Therefore, members of delegations, staff members and affiliates are strongly urged to arrive before 9 a.m. It may also become necessary to close the three street crossing points temporarily at various times throughout the day. United Nations security officers will be posted at those check-points to assist the police in identifying members of delegations and United Nations staff. All concerned are reminded that they should have their identification passes with them at all times.

3. The present circular should be read in conjunction with circular ST/IC/1993/50 dated 10 September 1993 on arrangements for admission to the premises, parking, traffic, deliveries, catering facilities and commercial operations for the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly.

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